## THE ABBEVILLE PRESS.

W. A. LEE, EDITOR.

The Press will be furnished weekly to subscribers for Two Dollars a year, in advance. Provisions of any kind will be taken at the market price. Single copies, ten cents.

By reference to his advertisement in another column it will be seen that our friend, Mr. T. B. Crews, intends to resume the publication of that old and popu'ar paper, the Abbeville Banner. For the control of the Editorial department he has secured the services of a prominent, citizen eminently qualified for the position .-Price, Two Dollars, per annum, in specio, or provisions at specie valuation. Mr. Crews expects to be here in a few days.

Messre, L. D. Merriman & Co., Greenwood, S. C., are now offering every variety of Manufactured Tin at low prices. They also have on hand a variety of Goods which they are selling at the lowest living prices. Next week their new and splendid stock of Fall and Winter Goods will arrive. It would be well to make an early call. They are business men, and have for their motto, "Quick sales and short profits."

The attention of our citizens is called to the card of Mr. A. R. Calhoun with Mesrs. Jones & Norrell, Augusts, Ga. Mr. Houston is an Abbeville man, and is favorably known to many of our citizens. He the Convention from the upper Districts: will be found a pleasant man with whom Col. Orr, Judge Frost, Rev. Dr. Boyce, and to transact business. He is perfectly rest other well known public men, and were ponsible, and insures perfect satisfaction to joined on the way, by Col. Farrow, Mr. those who entrust business to his care.

MESSES. KERR & MOORE.-These gentlemen have opened the Store formerly oc cupied by Agnew, McDonald & Co., for the purpose of doing an Auction and Commission Business. Their strict attention to business will merit a share of public patronage. They will be found worthy, polite and courteous merchants. Call and see them.

Messrs. Fleming & Wholess, Cotton, Warehouse, Forwarding and General Commission Merchants at Augusta, Ga., present their card this week, and we would solicit for them a liberal patronage from elling. The trains on this road now comthe citizens of Abbeville District. We would recommend them as liberal, fair deal- sage, and hence owing to the length and ing men. They never fail to give entire satisfaction. Give them a call.

kers, Commission and Forwarding Mer chants, at Charleston, S. C., respectfully solicit business from this section of the country. They are responsible, high toned gentlemen, and deserve the patronage of the public. See their advertisement in another column.

is favorably known in this vicinity.

tisement of Mr. J. W. Trowbridge. He is an experienced Piano Tuner, and has recommendations from competent judges residing in the Village and District.

Administrator of the Estate of John belonging to the Estate of deceased. See

hand. Take him your cotton.

The Railsond from Columbus, Ga, to in the line of Bailroads from Augusta to

Mr. James N. Ells gives notice that the names enrolled. publication of the Baptist Banner is to be lot for permanent President, with the fol-

Read the Military Orders to be found in this paper. Our people "having due no-

Purchasers are now offered a fine Carriage and elegant Hurness by Bon. A. Burt. It would be well to only on him be-

. In another column will be found a notice Pre

DRATH .- We regret to learn that Mr. | ed: Messrs. A. P. Aldrich, Edward Frost | to at least one Senator. John R. Wilson, an old and much respectcd citizen died at his residence, near Due West, on the 12th in t. He was universally loved for his charity and benevolence-No one in our District was more active and zealous in relieving the wants of the destitute than was Mr. Wilson. The poor will long remember him with grateful hearts. We presume an obituary will be furnished for publication.

By the Governor's Proclamation the municipal as well as the civil officers were authorized to discharge their respective duties. In neighboring towns elections have been held for municipal officers, and we see no good reason why the municipal authorities of this town should not again discharge their duties as such.

Checks on New York can be bought of Mr. J. A. Euslow. Give him a call.

> EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE. NICKERSON'S HOLTEL, Columbia, Sept. 16th, 1865.

DEAR WILSON-I assume the pen for he purpose of fulfilling my promise to furnish you brief notes of whatever might occur to me of interest during the Session of the Convention in Columbia.

The Albeville Delegation, as you are ware, took the train on Tuesday last. On meeting the Greenville train at Hodges Dopot, we found on board His Excellency Governor Perry, and various members of joined on the way, by Col. Farrow, Mr. Suliivan and others. Tire Solicitors, Reed and Farrow, were also in attendance upon the Governor. Ou the train we had the pleasure of renewing our acquaintance

bine the functions both of freight and pas-

hack line they pay six dollars for a sleep-

less ride all night over a rough road. As

time was a matter of some importance the

members of the Convention all took the

back line at Hope's. Station, twenty-five

miles from Columbia. Eight or ten hacks

were in waiting and furnished accommo-

dations for all. We were all night in ma-

king the journey over a rough road, and

after a sleepless night we were deposited at Nickerson's Hotel at 7.30 A. M., on Wednesday morning. Most of the mem-bers of the Convention had already arriv-

ed. Nickerson's was like a busy hive, the Shiver House had its full quota, and private houses provided accommodations for a number. Nickerson has rented the large

and commedious building well known as the Methodist Female College, and which

is as well adapted for the business of a hotel as if designed for the purpose. Ev-

erything about the establishment is new,

THE CONVENTION ASSEMBLED

Whole number of votes cast,

Whole number of votes out; Mecessary to a choice, dr. D. L. Wardisw resolved C. W. Dudley received

T. N. Dawkins received

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The Chair announced that Mr. D. L.
Wardian, hartog received a majority of

the votes dart, was duly efected perman President of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Aldridi, Resolved, That a Committee of these

dollars, when by the

with Col. J. N. Brown, our quandam associate at the beginning of the war on Morris and Sullivan's Islands, and who after experiencing more than the ordinary vicissitudes, and being made twice a prisoner has lately been restored to home and friends. A new passenger coach had been provided for the occasion, and in its polished exterior, and luxurious interior arrangements promised a speedy return to the old conveniences and facilities of trav-

frequency of the stoppages we were after dark in making the trip to Hope Station where the Hack Line connects with Co-Messre, Morris, Hunt & Co., Ship Brolumbia. Alston is the terminus of the road at present, and bere a line of hacks connect with Winnsboro, twenty miles distant. From this point also many travellers take passage on the boats. Being enabled to take a good night's rest at Alston, and

Messrs. Williams & Covert, Wholesale Hatters, 122 Meeting Street, Charleston, give notice that they have resumed their business, and are selling Hats of every des cription at old prices. Merchants and others will do well to give them a call before purchasing elsewhere. Mr. Williams

We would direct attention the adver-

IMPORTANT SALE .- Mr. J. M. McBryde. McBryde, deo'd, will offer for sale on the 3d of October, the entire Stock of Goods

the furniture is tasteful and elegant, and nothing is wanting which can contribute to the comfort of the guests. The proprie-Mr. J. A. Enslow is now paying the highest market prices for cotton. He has plenty of Gold and Greenbacks and, for vants attentive, and the fare all that one Cotton, he is paying it out with a liberal could wish.

at 12 o'clock m., in the Baptist Church, a fine and specious edifice, with well cush-Montgomery, Ala, has been repaired, and ioned seats. The Hon. F. J. Moses, of the trains run daily. There is no break Sumpter was called to the Chair, and J. H. Norwood and F. W. W. McMaster appointed Secretaries. . The credentials of Montgomery,

resumed. Send subscriptions to him at lowing result: Augusta, Ga,

Necessary to a choice, Mr. D. L. Wardluw received tice thereof " srould do well to "govern Mr. C. W. Dudley teceived themselves accordingly " Mr. T. N. Dawkins received Reattering.

Mr. Andrew Smell, Auctioness, will sell Second Bellot.

ou Sale Day some rate and valuable goods. The goods are to be sold without reserve. Attend the sale.

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to the Debtow and meditors of the Betate C. C. Pickney, dec'd.

The trains now my daily on the Green wills and Columbia Religoed,

and John A. Inglis.

The President upon taking his sent made an impressive address, returning his thanks for the honor conferred, pledging imself for the impartial discharge of the duties of his Office, and invoking the cor-dial co-operation of the members in pre-

serving good order and harmony.

Mr. Aldrich introduced the following resolutions, which, on motion of Mr. Dud ley, were ordered to lie on the table;

Resolved, That under the present extra ordinary circumstances, it is both wise and politic to accept the condition in which we are placed; to endure patiently the evils which we cannot avert or correct, and to await calmly the time and opportunity to effet our deliverance from unconstitutional

Resolved, That a Committee to consist of one member from each Judicial District, be raised to prepare business for the Convention, and to which shall be referred all matters relating to the public welfare of the

Mr. Winsmith introduced the following

Resolved, That each day's proceedings of this Convention be opened with prayer. That the Rev. Mr. Boyce be requested to officiate this morning, and that the President of the Convention be requested to invite some clergyman to perform that duty

for each succeeding day.

Rev. Mr. Boyce then offered a prayer after which the President announced that he had, under the resolution of the day previous, appointed J.T. Sloan Clerk of the Convention, and Mr. Wm. C. McGregur, Messenger, and Mr. James Windsor, Door-

On Thursday

THE MESSAGE OF THE GOVERNOR was read before the Convention by his private Secretary, Wm. H. Perry. The Message is a well considered document, practical in its suggestions and hopeful in its views. We give a brief abstract of its most prominent views.

The Message alludes to the solicitude of President Johnson, for the restoration of the Southern States to all their civil and political rights under the Constitution and Laws of the United States, and states that he is opposed to all centralization of power in the General Government.

To accomplish the re unoin of the States

THE PRESIDENT DESIRES he Southern people to accept the abolition of slavery as one of the final results of the war. Under the war-making power the Military authorities, have abolished slavery in the seceded States, and the oath which has been taken to support all laws and proclamations in reference to the abolition of slavery makes it incumbent upon the members of the Convention to abolish slavery in the amended Constitution. So great and sudden a change must produce dissatisfaction, idleness and confusion, but in the opinion of the Governor, the evil will be temporary.

THE MESSAGE RECOMMENDS reformation of the State Constitution in several particulars. The Parish representation in the Senate is uncount and unjust, and now that slavery is abolished, a reformation is imperative. In affecting the having a splendid passage in the morning change the Message recommends the adoption of taxation and population as the basis of representation. Each Judicial Dis-trict in the State should have one Senato; the city of Charleston two, in addition to one from the District of Charleston.

The Message assumes DECIDED GROUNDS AGAINST THE EXTEN

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in their present condition, and regards the question merely of State policy.

The message recommends the election of

Governor by the people, the increase of his power, that he be re-eligible or elected for a longer term than two years, that he be required to live at the sear of Government, and should receive a salary sufficient to pay all experses.

It is recommended that most of the elections and appointments now made by the Legislature be taken from them, and the power of appointment given to the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

In all elections by the Legislature, viva voce voting is recommended, that the mem-ber's constituents may know how he voted. The Message reccommends the consolidation of the Treasury Department; that the Secretary of State and Surveyor General keep their offices only at the seat of

Gov. rament, and that the Court of Appeals meet only in Columbia. As it is important that THE SOUTH SHOULD DE REPRESENTED

in the next Congress the Convention should provide for the election of members at an

early day.

The Constitution should provide for the ratification of all Degislative, Executive and Judicial actions of the State since her

The Message takes x

42 votes.

36 votes.

ROPEFUL VIEW OF THE PUTUAL, and predicts a new career of prosperity under the new order of things.

Mr. Orr introduced the following reso lutions, which were ordered to be referred to the appropriate Standing Committees, when appointed? L The election of Governor shall be

1. The election of Governor shall be made by the people.

2. That he shall be re-sligible.

3. That he shall be invested with a qualified veto upon the logislation of the General Assembly.

4. That the basis of representation in the House of Representative shall be the white population of the Sieta.

5. That the number of mambers composing the House shall be freshed.

7. That the number of Senators shall be fixed at forty, 8. That the Lieutenant Governor shall be ex officio President of the Senate.

9. That the Judges and Chancellors shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to the confirmation of the Senate. 10. That the Secretary of State, Comptroller-General and Treasurer shall be

elected by the people.

11. That the District Officers, to wit: Clerk, Sheriff, Ordinary, Commissioner in Equity and Tax Collector, shall be elected by the people in their respective Districts. 12. That slavery, except as a punish-

ment for crime, after due conviction, is for-ever prohibited in this State.

13. That all elections by the Legislature shall be made viva voce, and the name of the member and the person voted for re-

corded The President announced the following Standing Committees:

Ways and Means.—Messrs. Furman, Keenan, McDuffie, Dunovant, W. M. Mar tin, Johnson, Williams. Printing-Messrs. Lee, Carlisle, T. J. Goodwin, Mobley, Stewart.

Executive Department - Mesers. Orr. Conner, Aldrich, F. W. Pickens, McMaster,

Beattic and Simonton. Legislalive Department - Messrs. Inglis, Rion, McGowan, Boyce, McIves, Andrews,

Judicial Department-Messrs. Lesesue, Frost, Moses, Thomson, D.zier, Campbell,

Amendments to Constitution not included in above-Messrs, Dudley, Farrow, Hemphill, Frierson, Macbeth, Robertson,

Ordinances and Resolutions - Messrs. Mr. Leseshe incroduced the following

resolution; which was adopted: Resolved, That ordinances adopted by this Convention, shall be engrossed, and then ratified by being signed by the Pres-

ident and Clerk. Also, introduced the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee

on Amendments to the Constitution: Resolved, That to prevent or lessen the evils attendant on frequent elections, and to guard against the profunction of the Sabbath, it is expedient to provide by the Constitution that all popular elections for Federal, State or Municipal officers, shall be held on one and the same day, and by the same managers, and that in the middle of the week-say the second Wednesday in October.

Also, introduced an ordinance to declare slavery abolished in South Carolina, and prohibit its re-establishment; which was referred to the Committee on Ordinances and Resolutions.

Also, introduced the following resolution; which was agreed to: Resolved, That there be added to the

Standing Committee, an Engrossing Committee, consisting of three members, to be appointed by the President. Whereupon, the President announced the following Members of the Committee:

Mesers. Melton, Wagner, Norwood. Mr F. W. Pickens, from the Special-

Committee, made a Report, and reported: trict, S C. on, and the estion being put, shall the Ordinance pass it passed in the affirmative.

Yeas, 105; Nays 3. Gen. McGowan introduced the followng resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the Logislative Department:

QUALIFICHTIONS OF VOTERS. In an election to be made by the people of the State, or of a District thereof, every voter shall have the following qualifica-

He shall be a free white man, who has attained to the age of twenty one years, and is not a pauper, a non-commissioned officer or private coldier of the Army of the United States. He shall have been a citizen of the United States and of this State, and during the last six months there-of in the District in which he offers to vote; or in lieu of the said six months' residence, shall have been legally seized and possessed for at least six months next pre-seeding the day of election, of a freehold in lands worth at least five hundred dol-

Every person shall be considered a white person who has of Caucasion blood seven-

The Legislature shall provide for the decision of questions of caste, and of all questions concerning the right of suffrage; and may guard against frauds and usurpa-tions of the right of suffrage, by requir-ing a registry of voters and by other suit-able means; and may impose disqualification to vote in punishment for crime or for

blameable illieracy.

Also intro used the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Amendments to the Constitution:

The emancipation of slaves having ac tually taken place, slavery shall not hereal ter be re established in this State.

Also introduced the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on

the Legislative Department:
No person shall be subject for the sam No person shall be subject for the same offence, to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself; our be deprived of life, liberty or property, without due ercours of law.

Excessive hall shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor ernel and unimal pupishments tofficied.

Every lew or resolution having the force of law, shall relate to but one subject, and that shall be expressed in the title.

Also introduced the fellowing resolutions which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary Department:

All laws now in force in this State, not reported by the Constitution, shall occutions of force until they may be altered or separated by the Legislature, or shall responded agains by their own limitation.

The term laws here used, shall embrace all ! Acts of the Legislature, whether passed before or since the twentieth day of December, A. D. 1860. All Acte, Ordinances, and parts of Acts or Ordinances, whose duration was limited to the "continuance of the war between the United States and the Confederate States," by that or any equivalent form of expression, and all regula-tions which contemplated the existence of

such a war, shall be considered to have ex-pired on the tenth day of May, A. D. 1865. All proceedings, legislative, executive, judicial, ministerial or official, all acts of officers or agents, all contracts entered into. instruments of writing executed and matters transacted, before or since the twentieth duy of December, A. D. 1860, wuich were legal and valid under the de facto Government, whether State, Confederate or Federal, which subsisted in this State at the times when they respectively were had, done, entered into, executed or transacted, shall in all cases and questions that .may be hereafter presented for adjudication, be held to have been legal and valid.

All officers and appointees, in this State now in office, shall continue in office until their terms of office respectively expire, or they be superseded according to the provisions of this Constitution,

A HINT TO SOUTHERN BLACKS .-Among our Southern newspaper items we find the statement that "an office to procure white labor from Europe has been opened in Mobile." Here is a hint of warning to the Southern Blacks. The downfall of slavery has opened in our Southern States a vast and inviting field for European emi-gration, and the Southern blacks must go to work cheerfully, steadily and systemati-cally, or they will be rooted out, except in Dawkins, Sullivan, Hammond, Porter, Black, Winsmith, Summer.

> WASHINGTON, Sept 8 .- The Southern mail service will from this date be self-sustaining. Notwithstanding the great reduction the Postmaster General has ordered in the amount of service, Governor Dennison has discovered that an immense excess of service was being performed in these States at the breaking out of the rebellion, and in re-establishing the mail service in the South he has been governed by the necessities of the people.

> We learn that His Excellency Gov. Perry has received a dispatch from President Johnson, assuring him that the President fully sanctions the course he pursued with reference to authorising magistrates to administer the Oath of A legiance. The Oaths already administered by them are considered valid, as will be those hereafter Administered .- Greenville Enterprise.

> MARRIED, in Abbeville District on Tuesday, the 19th inst. by Rev. Benjamin Johnson, HENRY DAWES ALEXANDER and HAR-RIET LOUISA, third daughter of Dr. Wm. Hall, all of Gharleston, S. C.

The Charleston Courier will insert and bill to this office.

MARRIED by the Rev. Mr. Gibert, on Sunday morning, the 17th inst., at her father a residence, Mr. JOHN O. BROOKS to Miss PERMELIA CHARLES, all of Abbeville Dis-

MARRIED, on the 10th inst by the Rev. S. Donnelly, at the residence of Mr. William W. Rowland, S. C., Mr. JAMES A. WRIGHT to Miss PALCIE E. ROBINSON, all of House

DIED, on the 27th of July, 1864. JOHN HENRY, son of George and Margaret E. Duenberry, of Typhoid Pneumonia, aged nine years, six months, and ten days. He was an amiable boy, and by his gentleness of manners had won the love of all who knew him. He was the pride of his father and the jog of his mother. He was generous find noble in his disposition. He is gone to Him who said: "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven." heaven."

Captein SAMUEL AGNEW was born April 22, 1802, connected himself to the Church November 10, 1831, was chosen to the office of Deacon October 25, 1834, and departed this life September 1, 1865.

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Another prominent leaf has fallen from the autumnal branches.
For years Captain Agnew had, at times, been a great sufferer, but for several days previous to death there was no cassation of pain. Yet, he bore it all, with God-like patience, and would often speak of the unbounding love and goodness of God. Thus passed away the good husband, the indulgent father, the kind master, and one whom the poor always found ready to administer to their wants. If medical skill, unwearled watching of love, or tenucould have availed he would not have died "But the Lord took him. Let him do what seemed him good." He is dead, yet he liveth. That vacent seat at Walnut Grove Baptist Church, (which he so long and notify filled as Deagon) will speak of hie worth. His voice was ever heard on the side of truth and justice. Sons, and grandeons, may the same be said of

Sons, and grandeons, may the same be easil of you. Let your aims be high, pure and holy.

Let me say to that dear companion, daughter and friends, sorrow not as those without hope,

"He sleeps in Jesus' blissful sleep, From which none ever wakes to weep,

HEADQUARTERS U.S. FORCES.

ABBEVILLE, S. C., Sapt. 18th, 1865.

GENERAL ORDER, No. 3.

I. The Captain Commanding Jearns that through the leniency practiced by the same since his sojourn in the District of Abbeville, So. Ca, some of the mhabitants have taken the advantage of the same by attempting Disloyalty to the U.S. Government.

In order to guard against these desperadoes

Ordered, That all persons travelling through he Town of Abbeville after the hours of 9.30

P. M., will do so at the peril of their lives II. All persons sho have not taken the Oath of Allegiance will not be allowed to leave their premises night or day. Any violation of this paragraph will subject the offenders to severe punishment.

JOHN METCALF. Capt. 56th N. Y. V. V., Commanding District Abbeville. GEORGE R. BLACK, Lt. 56th N. Y. V. V. and Ass't Provost Marshal.

PROVOST MARSHAL'S OF ICE, ABBEVILLE S. C., Sept. 20th 1865. SPECIAL ORDER.

HEREAFTER any person or persons found guilty of selling or giving any kind of intoxicating drink to a United States soldier will subject himself to not less than Fifty Dolalars Fine and Sixty Days Imprisonment.

By Order of GEORGE R. BLACK, Lt. 56th N. Y. V. V., and Ass't Prov. Marshal.

# MATS At Old Prices.

**WILLIAMS & COVERT** Wholesale Hatters.

122 Meeting Street.

Charleston, S. C. (Formerly D.R. Williams & Co., 161 Meeting at,

Have resumed their old business of Hate, Caps and Straw Goods, at 122 Meeting Street, next door to Charleston Hotel, where they will be happy to see their old customers, friends and public generally.

We are prepared to supply the Trade at OLD PRICES.

PRICES.
Merchants vigiting, the city the purpose of purchasing goods, will do well to give us a.

D. R. WILLIAMS. HENRY C. COVERT.

## **AUCTION**

TO be sold by Auction on Sale-Day in October, at 10 o'clock, at the Post Office, a Large Quantity of Household Furniture, consisting of

BEDS.

#### MARRIED, by the Rev. Mr. Gibert, at the residence of Mr. Eli Thornton, Serg't JAMES H. ROOSSA, Co A, 56th N.Y.V.V., to Miss JOSEPHINE C. WILSON of Abbeville, S. C. GILT CHINA TEA SETS CROCKERY WARE. TABLES, CHAIRS, BOOKS COOKING STOVE.

And a variety of other articles, belonging to family leaving for the far West. The above articles must be sold. Terms Cash.

ANDREW SMALL, Austioneer. Abbeville C. H., Sept. 19, 1865.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

ON TUESDAY, OCT. 3, 1868,

I will offer for sale at public outery, at the Store recently eccupied by him is Abbeyille Village, the entire stock of Goods of JOHN McBRYDE, dec'd. This Stock consists in part of

Graniteville Sheetings, Shirtings, Osna burgs, Stripes, Yarn, Tobacon, Leaths er, Cotton and Wool Carda Salteto. ALSO

Sewing Silk, Spool Cotton, Pint, Needles Writings Paper, etc. Ten Bales of Common and Two Bales of Zipe pora COTTON, and many other articles will be sold at the same time,

Sale to commence at ten o'clock a. m; Terms—CASH on delivery. Sept. 21, 1865, 28 2t.

# CARRIAGE

PINE Cassinge and closest Harris